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Assembly Concurrent Resolution

No. 12

Introduced by Assembly Member ~~Wilk O'Donnell~~

(~~Coauthors: Assembly Members Achadjian, Atkins, Baker, Bigelow, Bloom, Bonilla, Bonta, Brough, Brown, Burke, Calderon, Campos, Chang, Chau, Chávez, Chiu, Chu, Cooley, Cooper, Dahle, Daly, Dodd, Eggman, Frazier, Gallagher, Cristina Garcia, Eduardo Garcia, Gatto, Gipson, Gomez, Gordon, Gray, Grove, Hadley, Harper, Holden, Irwin, Jones, Jones-Sawyer, Kim, Lackey, Levine, Linder, Lopez, Low, Maienschein, Mathis, Mayes, McCarty, Medina, Melendez, Mullin, Nazarian, Obernalte, O'Donnell, Olsen, Patterson, Perea, Rodriguez, Salas, Santiago, Steinorth, Mark Stone, Thurmond, Ting, Wagner, Weber, Williams, and Wood~~)

January 26, 2015

Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 12—~~Relative to Ronald Reagan Day. Relative to the Officer Robert Joe Mata and Officer Roberto C. Sanchez Memorial Highway.~~

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

ACR 12, as amended, ~~Wilk O'Donnell. Ronald Reagan Day. Officer Joe Mata and Officer Roberto C. Sanchez Memorial Highway.~~

This measure would designate the portion of State Highway Route 110 between Exit 1A and Exit 1B in the City of Los Angeles as the Officer Joe Mata and Officer Roberto C. Sanchez Memorial Highway. The measure would also request the Department of Transportation to

determine the cost of appropriate signs consistent with the signing requirements for the state highway system showing this special designation and, upon receiving donations from nonstate sources sufficient to cover that cost, to erect those signs.

~~This measure would declare February 6, 2015, as Ronald Reagan Day.~~

Fiscal committee: ~~no~~-yes.

1 *WHEREAS, Robert Joe Mata was a police officer for the Los*
2 *Angeles Police Department; and*

3 *WHEREAS, Officer Mata was born on October 10, 1973, in Los*
4 *Angeles, California. He graduated from Etiwanda High School in*
5 *June of 1991; and*

6 *WHEREAS, Officer Mata enlisted in the United States Navy in*
7 *1992, serving on the destroyer U.S.S. Fletcher (DD-992). During*
8 *his service to our country, Officer Mata was awarded the National*
9 *Defense Service Medal, the Sea Service Deployment Ribbon (First*
10 *Award), and the Southwest Asia Service Medal, which is awarded*
11 *to those naval personnel who patrolled the area near Iraq during*
12 *the months after the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait; and*

13 *WHEREAS, Upon discharge from the United States Navy,*
14 *Officer Mata settled in Hawaii, where he met and married his wife,*
15 *Holly. They moved to Whittier, California, and had two daughters,*
16 *Kaleikaumaka and Pi-ilani; and*

17 *WHEREAS, Officer Mata entered the Los Angeles Police*
18 *Academy on January 22, 1996. He served his probationary time*
19 *in the Newton area, where his handling of a 15 year old potential*
20 *runaway was recognized. Office Mata convinced the troubled teen*
21 *to stay home and seek help to work through his troubles with his*
22 *parent; and*

23 *WHEREAS, After passing his probation, Officer Mata moved*
24 *on to the Southeast area. Officer Mata's final division of*
25 *assignment was in the Harbor area, where he was assigned to the*
26 *Specialized Enforcement Unit, Gang Detail; and*

27 *WHEREAS, On September 19, 2000, Officer Mata was killed*
28 *in a vehicle accident in the Harbor area while responding to a*
29 *call for backup from another officer who was investigating a stolen*
30 *vehicle; and*

31 *WHEREAS, Roberto C. Sanchez was a police officer for the Los*
32 *Angeles Police Department; and*

1 *WHEREAS, Officer Sanchez was born on September 19, 1981,*
2 *in Mexico City, Mexico to his loving parents, Francisco and*
3 *Patricia Sanchez; and*

4 *WHEREAS, The Sanchez family moved to Santa Ana, California,*
5 *where Officer Sanchez attended Saddleback High School; and*

6 *WHEREAS, Officer Sanchez entered the Los Angeles Police*
7 *Academy in 2008, believing that being a police officer was the*
8 *most honorable way of serving the community and protecting the*
9 *innocent; and*

10 *WHEREAS, Officer Sanchez married his wife, Sonia, on June*
11 *14, 2009; and*

12 *WHEREAS, Officer Sanchez honorably served with the Los*
13 *Angeles Police Department for six years. His assignments included*
14 *the areas of West Los Angeles, Newton, and Harbor, and he worked*
15 *with his partner Rich Medina; and*

16 *WHEREAS, Officer Sanchez enjoyed spending time with his*
17 *family and friends, and volunteering at his niece's school, where*
18 *he read to students for "Read Across America"; and*

19 *WHEREAS, On May 3, 2014, Officer Sanchez and his partner*
20 *were in pursuit of a vehicle after attempting to make a traffic stop.*
21 *While continuing the pursuit, Officer Sanchez's vehicle was struck*
22 *by another vehicle near the intersection of Senator Avenue and*
23 *Anaheim Street in Los Angeles, California. Officer Sanchez and*
24 *his partner were transported to a local hospital where Officer*
25 *Sanchez later succumbed to his injuries; and*

26 *WHEREAS, It is appropriate to memorialize the service and*
27 *sacrifices of Officers Mata and Sanchez by designating a portion*
28 *of State Highway Route 110 in their honor; now, therefore, be it*

29 **RESOLVED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF**
30 **CALIFORNIA, THE SENATE THEREOF CONCURRING, That**
31 *the Legislature hereby designates the portion of State Highway*
32 *Route 110 between Exit 1A and Exit 1B in the City of Los Angeles*
33 *as the Officer Robert Joe Mata and Officer Roberto C. Sanchez*
34 *Memorial Highway; and be it further*

35 **RESOLVED, That the Department of Transportation is**
36 *requested to determine the cost of appropriate signs consistent*
37 *with the signing requirements for the state highway system showing*
38 *this special designation, and upon receiving donations from*
39 *nonstate sources sufficient to cover the cost, to erect those signs;*
40 *and be it further*

1 RESOLVED, *That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly transmit*
2 *copies of this resolution to the Director of Transportation and to*
3 *the author for appropriate distribution.*

4 ~~WHEREAS, President Ronald Wilson Reagan, a man of humble~~
5 ~~background, worked throughout his life serving freedom and~~
6 ~~advancing the public good, having been employed as an entertainer,~~
7 ~~union leader, corporate spokesman, Governor of California, and~~
8 ~~President of the United States; and~~

9 ~~WHEREAS, Ronald Reagan is the only person in California's~~
10 ~~163-year history to be elected to the offices of Governor of the~~
11 ~~State of California and President of the United States; and~~

12 ~~WHEREAS, Ronald Reagan served with honor and distinction~~
13 ~~for two terms as the 40th President of the United States of America,~~
14 ~~the second of which he earned the confidence of three-fifths of the~~
15 ~~electorate in 1984, emerging victorious in 49 of the 50 states in~~
16 ~~the general election—a record unsurpassed in the history of~~
17 ~~American presidential elections; and~~

18 ~~WHEREAS, In 1981, when Ronald Reagan was inaugurated~~
19 ~~President, he inherited a disillusioned nation shackled by rampant~~
20 ~~inflation and high unemployment; and~~

21 ~~WHEREAS, President Reagan's commitment to the nation's~~
22 ~~children helped lower crime and drug use in our neighborhoods;~~
23 ~~and~~

24 ~~WHEREAS, President Reagan's commitment to our Armed~~
25 ~~Forces contributed to the restoration of pride in America, her~~
26 ~~values, and those cherished by the free world, and prepared~~
27 ~~America's Armed Forces to meet 21st century challenges; and~~

28 ~~WHEREAS, President Reagan's vision of "peace through~~
29 ~~strength" led to the end of the Cold War; and~~

30 ~~WHEREAS, President Reagan signed into law a bill to establish~~
31 ~~the holiday of Martin Luther King, Jr., on November 20, 1983;~~
32 ~~and~~

33 ~~WHEREAS, President Reagan signed legislation providing~~
34 ~~\$1.25 billion in reparations and a formal apology from the~~
35 ~~government for the federal order that placed 120,000~~
36 ~~Japanese-Americans in detention camps; and~~

37 ~~WHEREAS, President Reagan, in 1986, signed the last~~
38 ~~comprehensive immigration reform act; and~~

1 WHEREAS, ~~February 6, 2015, will be the 104th anniversary~~
2 ~~of Ronald Reagan's birth, and the 11th since his passing; now,~~
3 ~~therefore, be it~~

4 ~~*Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, the Senate*~~
5 ~~*thereof concurring,*~~ That the Legislature takes great pride in
6 honoring Ronald Reagan for his many contributions to our country
7 and in celebrating his life; and be it further

8 ~~*Resolved,*~~ That the Legislature recognizes February 6, 2015, as
9 Ronald Reagan Day; and be it further

10 ~~*Resolved,*~~ That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly transmit copies
11 of this resolution to the author for appropriate distribution.